GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Poverty Alleviation
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

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(a) whether women and people with disabilities have been covered under Urban Poverty Alleviation Schemes, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the state wise number of beneficiaries of Urban Poverty Alleviation Schemes;

(c) whether the Government has met the targets set under United Nations Millennium Development Goals for Poverty Alleviation; and

(d) if so, the quantum of poverty reduction that has been achieved in the country in the last decade.?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

[SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO]

(a) Yes, Madam. Women and people with disabilities have been covered under National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), which is the Urban Poverty Alleviation Scheme of this Ministry. The Employment through Skill Training and Placement (EST&P) component of NULM aims at providing skill training and placement to urban poor as per market demand. As per the NULM guidelines, 30% of the beneficiaries under this component should be women and 3% of the beneficiaries should be differently-abled. The Self-Employment Programme (SEP) component of NULM focusses on providing financial assistance to set up individual/group micro-enterprises. The guidelines have a provision for 30% women beneficiaries and 3% differently-abled beneficiaries. The Social Mobilisation and Institution Development (SMID) component envisages

universal social mobilisation of urban poor into self-help groups (SHGs). Normally, women SHGs are formed under this component. However, male SHGs of handicapped persons are also allowed.

(b) :The State-wise total number of beneficiaries, women beneficiaries and beneficiaries with disabilities covered under NULM are provided at Annexure.

(c) & (d) :As per the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) India Country Report, 2015 published by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, the Poverty Head Count Ratio (PCHR) estimate at the all-India level has reduced by more than half from 47.8% in 1990 to 21.9% in 2011-12.

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